



Attorney Docket No.: SONY-50M2430.01.....

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
Patent Application

RECEIVED

JUN 26 2003

Inventor(s): Edward B. Eytchison

Serial No.: 09/476,419

Group Art Unit: 2142

Filed: 12/30/99

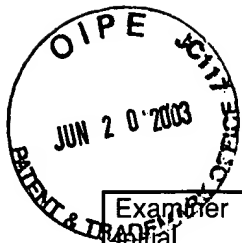
Examiner: Blair, Douglas B. Technology Center 2100

Title: A RESOURCE MANAGER FOR PROVIDING USER-DEPENDENT ACCESS CONTROL
FOR A NETWORK OF CONSUMER ELECTRONIC DEVICESForm 1449**U.S. Patent Documents**

| Examiner Initial | No. | Patent No. | Date | Patentee | Class | Sub-class | Filing Date |
|------------------|-----|------------|----------|--------------------|-------|-----------|-------------|
| DBB | A | 6,363,434 | 03/26/02 | Eytchison | 709 | 313 | 03/30/99 |
| DBB | B | 6,199,136 | 03/06/01 | Shteyn | 710 | 129 | 09/02/98 |
| DBB | C | 6,233,611 | 03/15/01 | Ludtke, et al. | 709 | 223 | 05/08/98 |
| DBB | D | 6,434,447 | 08/13/02 | Shteyn | 700 | 245 | 10/02/98 |
| DBB | E | 5,956,487 | 09/21/99 | Venkatraman et al. | 395 | 200.48 | 10/25/96 |
| DBB | F | 6,286,003 | 09/04/01 | Muta | 707 | 10 | 04/21/98 |
| DBB | G | 6,195,680 | 02/27/01 | Goldszmidt, et al. | 709 | 203 | 07/23/98 |
| DBB | H | 5,671,225 | 09/23/97 | Hooper, et al. | 370 | 468 | 09/01/95 |
| DBB | I | 6,005,861 | 12/21/99 | Humpleman | 4370 | 352 | 03/03/99 |
| DBB | J | 6,523,696 | 02/25/03 | Saito, et al. | 209 | 223 | 05/06/98 |
| DBB | K | 5,838,921 | 11/17/98 | Speeter | 395 | 200.57 | 12/08/95 |
| DBB | L | 6,493,317 | 12/10/02 | Ma | 370 | 237 | 12/10/02 |
| DBB | M | 6,480,889 | 11/12/02 | Saito, et al. | 709 | 220 | 09/16/98 |
| DBB | N | 5,675,390 | 10/07/97 | Schindler | 348 | 552 | 07/17/95 |
| DBB | O | 5,822,530 | 10/13/98 | Brown | 395 | 200.49 | 12/14/95 |
| DBB | P | 6,421,714 | 07/16/02 | Rai, et al. | 709 | 217 | 08/24/98 |
| DBB | Q | 6,385,434 | 05/07/02 | Chuprun, et al. | 455 | 11.1 | 09/16/98 |
| DBB | R | 6,414,952 | 07/02/02 | Foley | 370 | 352 | 10/10/97 |
| DBB | S | 6,208,637 | 03/27/01 | Eames | 370 | 352 | 01/15/99 |
| DBB | T | 6,496,479 | 12/17/02 | Shionozaki | 370 | 230 | 09/24/98 |
| DBB | U | 6,185,601 | 02/06/01 | Wolff | 709 | 203 | 04/15/98 |
| DBB | V | 6,205,152 | 03/20/01 | Von Ahnen, et al. | 370 | 419 | 12/31/97 |

Foreign Patent or Published Foreign Patent Application

| Examiner Initial | No. | Document No. | Publication Date | Country or Patent Office | Class | Sub-class | Translation | |
|------------------|-----|--------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------|-----------|-------------|----|
| | | | | | | | Yes | No |
| DBB | W | EP0837579A2 | 04/22/98 | EPO | HO4L | 12/28 | X | |
| DBB | X | WO97/09800 | 03/13/97 | PCT | HO4L | 12/28 | X | |
| DBB | Y | EP0940959A1 | 09/08/99 | EPO | HO4L | 29/06 | X | |
| DBB | Z | 2779595 | 12/10/99 | PARIS FRANCE | H04 L | 29/02 | | X |



Other Documents

| Examiner Initial | No. | Author, Title, Date, Place (e.g. Journal) of Publication |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| DBB | AA | Zimmer, et al., IEEE STANDARD 1394:FIREWIRE, 11/24/98, http://www-ece.engr.ucf.edu/jza/classes/4781/Firewire/Firewire.html |
| DBB | BB | Paskins, THE IEEE 1394 BUS, 1997, The Institution of Electrical Engineers |
| DBB | CC | Igarashi, et al., HOME NETWORK FILE SYSTEM FOR HOME NETWORK BASED ON IEEE-1394 TECHNOLOGY, August 1999, IEEE Transactions on Consumer Electronics, Vol. 45, No.3 |
| DBB | DD | Hwang, et al., STANDARDIZATION ACTIVITIES AND TECHNOLOGY COMPETITORS FOR THE IN-HOME NETWORKING, October 22-24 1998, International Conference on Communication Technology |
| DBB | EE | Chen, EMERGING HOME DIGITAL NETWORKING NEEDS, 9/97, DSP Solutions R&D Center, Texas Instruments, Inc. |
| DBB | FF | Severance, LINKING COMPUTERS AND CONSUMER ELECTRONICS, February 1997 |
| DBB | GG | Severance, FIREWIRE FINALLY COMES HOME, November 1998 |
| Examiner <i>[Signature]</i> | Date Considered 9/5/2003 | |

Examiner Initial citation considered. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered.
Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

RECEIVED

JUN 26 2003

Technology Center 2100